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DEATHS.

On March 9th, at the General Hospital, Shanghai, ELIZABETH KEMMIS, nee HORNO, beloved wife of PAUL KEMMIS, aged 35 years.

On March 9th, at Shanghai, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. IVOR THOMAS, aged 8 months.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 14TH, 1906.

It would seem that after the differences of opinion regarding the policing of the new Morocco which had arisen between Germany and France had gone up to almost fever heat, under more peaceful and probably wiser counsels some way of escape without needlessly compromising either party has been discovered. France and England, secure in the thought that no new combination to affect the immediate interests of either had been contemplated, naturally looked only to the immediate present. The disturbed state of Morocco was a momentary source of trouble to both, which might at any period become dangerous, and therefore invited some immediate interference so as to bring Morocco more into line with Europe. As at the eastern outlet of the Mediterranean the two nations had made common cause; and Egypt and the passage of the Suez Canal were now on a perfectly safe footing: if France should at the western extremity undertake such a work of regeneration as England had accomplished in the east, it was clear that the safety of the Mediterranean was assured, at all events for the next generation, and that both could rest secure; while the trade of Europe with the East was for the future placed on a safe basis. So thought France, and so on looking into the matter came to think England: each had gained its object, and neither had any desire or even idea that anyone else could by any manner of means find anything in the arrangement at

which to cavil. It certainly never entered into the mind of either to interfere in any way with the free use of the Mediterranean by the whole world; and the probability is that not one statesman in either country ever wasted a thought on what to him would have at once seemed a policy as foolish as it would have been suicidal. Whatever ideas might in the eighteenth century have passed through the minds of the statesmen of the day as to the feasibility of making of the Mediterranean a "French Lake," those ideas certainly found no standing room in the policy of the nineteenth. Even LESSEPS in his wildest moments of ambition regarding his great creation, the Suez Canal, never ventured on such a dream. Why France and England, then, in squaring up the little private grievances each thought it had against the other at the two extremes of the Mediterranean, did not go off to consult Germany was that the idea of all interfering with Germany never entered the imagination of either. When those little grievances had on one occasion become a little more irritating than usual Germany had very wisely said in as many words the affair was none of hers, and certainly nothing that had since turned up appeared to alter Germany's interest in the affair. We say *appeared* deliberately, because of course Germany may have viewed the affair from another standpoint, and things which in England's and France's perspective may have seemed so insignificant as not to strike the rising seen from the different point of view of Germany may have loomed large and important. Something of the sort may of course have been possibly the case, though Germany has not on her side made any attempt to explain; perhaps considering that what was evident to her could not but be equally plain to her neighbours. On the other hand what from a French or English point of view may seem an inconsistency in the utterances of the principle of "international" control, on which Germany founds her objections to the French proposals, it is evident that France had fairly reasonable grounds for objecting to the suggested measure where her own interests are so immediately concerned; and it is apparently only Germany's failure to appreciate this one point that has stood in the way of a complete understanding.

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Mr. Geo J. Melhuish, manager of the Kobe house of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., had an exciting time recently with a burglar. Mr. Melhuish's residence was broken into before daybreak by a man who appeared to be armed. Mr. Melhuish, who was awakened, grappled with the man, whom he found in his room. In the struggle Mr. Melhuish was struck in the face by some weapon, whereupon he seized his revolver. He followed the thief downstairs and used his revolver, but the latter managed to escape, although it is thought he was hit.

The coinage in India of British dollars for the Straits Settlements and Hongkong has temporarily ceased, it being obviously undesirable to flood the market with this token at a time when a serious attempt is being made to redeem the currency of the Straits Settlements from depreciation. Figures published show that in the nine months ending 31st December last no dollars and only nine lakhs of rupees worth of half-dollars were struck off. The Indian mints turned out in the same period less than 9½ crores worth of rupees and 25 lakhs worth of eight anna pieces, a record which even the days of free coinage can hardly surpass.

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Mr. Slade—Why should there be?

His Lordship—There is nothing here except \$750,000 capital, of which the shareholder knows that \$250,000 will go in the purchase of the existing company.

Mr. Slade—What do they want more for the purpose of deciding whether the price per share was adequate?

His Lordship—Supposing you were proceeding as a new company, you will admit that full information was necessary.

Mr. Slade—Only if the statute imposes the obligation.

His Lordship—The statute does.

Mr. Slade—On prospectus but not a notice.

His Lordship—Putting all facts on one side, persons are invited to invest \$250,000 which they are going to receive in a new company. They are also told they have the option of taking up shares. They are not told of the construction of the new company.

Mr. Slade—They are not invited then and there to take up shares on the basis of these documents at all, but they are invited to decide whether \$250 was an adequate price for their shares.

His Lordship—The two things go together.

Mr. Slade—The man does not decide whether he will take up shares, but whether he will take \$250 for his share or not.

After dinner,

Mr. Slade submitted that the essential difference between a notice convening a meeting and a prospectus was that the notice need only set out in general terms the object of the meeting sufficiently fully to cause the shareholders who were interested to attend the meeting, whereas the prospectus must set out all the details on which the recipient was to act. He asserted that the plaintiff could not succeed because of the insufficiency of the notice, and if he did succeed all to which he was entitled was that whatever had been done irregularly should be set right, that after his right had been secured he was not entitled to throw everything into confusion. He was not entitled to obtain the desired price for his shares by threats. He was entitled to arbitration, but the present plaintiff declined arbitration and decided to create confusion. That the dissentients were a small minority was seen by the fact that out of 1,550 shares 1,155 were present.

His Lordship—How many shareholders are there?

Mr. Slade—I cannot say.

His Lordship—One person may hold a number of shares. The number of dissentients at the first meeting was seven. That may bear a reasonable proportion to the number of shareholders.

Mr. Slade, in conclusion, said that whatever his Lordship's decision he thought would be certain that there had been nothing approaching fraud or wilful suppression of facts. What had been done was nothing more than an irregularity which could be set right at any moment by the company. The proper form which the interlocutory injunction made by his Lordship should have taken was that the company should have been restrained from carrying out the resolutions until a proper meeting had been called.

His Lordship—it strikes me on reading the case that the judges always assumed that a meeting properly called subsequently would ratify the first meeting.

Mr. Slade—They asked for a wider injunction than they were entitled to. They have embarrassed the company in a most improper way. They had no right to come ex parte and ask your Lordship to grant such an injunction. We did not come into court then because we desired to have their points in black and white. The result of the plaintiff's action was to embarrass the company very improperly for several months. The action taken by the plaintiff shows clearly that its injunction was to do as much damage as he could in the hope of being bought out.

His Lordship—Would the injunction prevent another meeting being held?

Mr. Slade—Yes. They have prevented us from doing anything.

Mr. Pollock—No.

Mr. Slade—We have been disobeying the injunction by carrying on the tramway at all. Continuing, he said—if you find that we have done wrong you should merely ask us to give an undertaking not to proceed with the resolution as to the sale until another meeting had been called and the matter either approved or disapproved by the shareholders. In view of the overwhelming majority held by those who assented to this scheme, there would not be the slightest difficulty in carrying it out. Any interference of the Court would put the company to a great deal of expense without any benefit to the plaintiff, who can always get the amount for his shares decided by arbitration. I would, in conclusion, ask your Lordship to dismiss the action.

Mr. Pollock addressed the court. He asserted that the points he made out in opening had been untouched practically by his learned friends. Nobody intended that the company should be wound up because it was desirable that it should be wound up. The only object of the scheme was with a view to re-construction. If the hopes that there would have been no opposition had been fulfilled, there would have been no occasion for winding up the company. Under the resolution passed it was beyond the power of the liquidators to say whether shareholders should take cash or shares. It was at the option of the shareholders themselves. After dwelling on the definitions of re-construction and amalgamation, he affirmed that this was not a sale involving their having nothing further to do with the tramway company, but it was a re-construction. They were told that there was a chance of acquiring a new concession which would benefit the shareholders, and they were told it would be to their advantage that the old company should change its name and work the tramway. Neither could it be considered a sale by the liquidator in liquidation. Did anyone believe that if the tramway was advertised for sale, it would not bring a greater sum than that offered? The price of the shares was fixed by the majority, and it was wholly inadequate in view of the figures put before his Lordship.

The hearing was again adjourned.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA V. P. LEMAIRE AND CO.

The further hearing of the claim by the National Bank of China against P. Lemaire and Co. was resumed, this being a special sitting for a continuation of evidence by Mr. Playfair. Mr. H. E. Sharp, K. C., instructed by Mr. H. W. Looker (of Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon) appeared for plaintiffs, and Mr. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. F. P. Hett (of Messrs. Bruton, Hett and Goldring), represented the defendants.

Mr. G. W. F. Playfair was further examined de hors cause. He said the entry of Lemaire's bill in the book was perfectly correct and justified because it was only in that book that securities, promissory notes, etc., which were held by the Bank and belonged to the bank were entered. There was another book in which were entered the securities belonging to institutions called the Register of Custody Receipts Issued. In the first book were entered the

documents in respect of claims, such as mortgages or charges of various kinds, but always documents the bank was holding for itself, and in the other book were entered documents, boxes, etc., which the bank held on behalf of other people.

His Lordship—Then a bill which is taken by the Bank in renewal of another bill should be entered too surely, or else there is no record of that document.

Witness—It is pinned to the other and put in the same box.

His Lordship—But the record in the books would then be incomplete.

Witness—We will be able to call the accountant, who was accountant at the time.

Mr. Sharp—It is regarded as one thing being together, and one entry would suffice.

Cross-examined by Mr. Slade—Did you from time to time make out statements of Edwards, Pirie & Co.'s position and forward them to Edwards, Pirie & Co.?—I think you had better wait until the accountant is examined.

No, Mr. Playfair, we want it from you?—If you ask me regarding any particular one I will tell you.

Is that statement (shown statement) yours?

Yes, I intimated it myself. Where did you got it?

Mr. Slade—I got it from Lowe and Bingham, accountants. Can you tell me why, under the circumstances, if you had received this bill of exchange that you have called a promissory note in your Custody Book in settlement of this same acceptance, you did not enter it there? (Quotes first line of statement)?—Well, it was known to the Bank that we had it, so there was no occasion to do that.

Mr. Sharp—It was not money.

Mr. Slade—No more were the promissory notes money.

Witness—What were known as Plant's bills were known to us.

Mr. Slade—Can you produce press copies of subsequent statements? They were copied, were they not?—Judging from this one, it has not been copied at all. It is an original and has my initials in pencil.

You have a book containing press copies of these statements?—That is a matter for the account of the plaintiff.

Mr. Slade—Now you can call an action to be commenced against Plant for the amount of the calls due by him to the firm of Edwards, Pirie & Co. —I had an action? No.

But you can call an action against Plant?—I had nothing to do with it.

You had nothing to do with these actions brought for the collecting of calls from Edwards, Pirie & Co.—I authorised no action.

And say you had nothing to do with them?—I authorised no action. I don't even remember about any action. I know there were calls due.

Did you tell Wilkinson and Grist you had an action started?—Wilkinson and Grist were not my solicitors.

You were guaranteeing them; they were

guarantees because it was for the collection of outstanding debts.

But they were going to collect money on calls?—There was nothing authorised by me. Now you can take my word for that. I had nothing to do with their quarrels.

You knew nothing about an action?—I knew something about it, but you are not to put into my mouth what I don't say. I know something about it and that is all I intend to tell you.

Want you to be most perfectly straightforward?—You are trying to make me say what I will not say.

I understand you will not say a good many things?—I have sworn to say the truth, and nothing but the truth, and nothing will I say but the truth.

It is true that you knew something about the actions?—I don't say anything about the actions. I know share calls were due.

His Lordship—I thought you said you knew something of what was going on?—Witness: I knew something was going on, but I was not at all mixing myself up with that.

Mr. Slade—You knew something was going on in respect of shares of Edwards, Pirie & Co.?—Yes, I know that.

Did you know that actions had been commenced against Edwards, Pirie & Co.'s shareholders who had not paid calls?—No, that is the first statement I have heard of that.

I put it to you, Mr. Playfair, that the total amount due by Plant was \$15,000, against which he claimed to be entitled to deduct \$5,400 in respect of salary due to him as manager of Edwards, Pirie & Co., leaving a balance of \$9,600, and that he gave you a draft for that amount?—He gave me a bill on his own firm for that amount, I know.

Was that amount made up in the way I have indicated to you?—I don't remember anything of the details?

Don't you remember the fact that that was called?—Most probably, but I don't remember it.

Let me remind you, Mr. Playfair. Here is a letter which was forwarded to you by a London manager from Shawill and Co., dated the 16th of March, 1904.

Witness, having read the letter, said:—That is so. He paid half the bill of \$9,000. According to that statement it was for the shares.

Mr. Slade—Now you are reminded by that it was so?—That was so, but I don't like to say a thing I don't remember.

Witness said Mr. Bingham, an attorney for Plant, drew a cheque on the National Bank of China in favour of the Guarantees Trust Co. of New York, and that cheque witness refused to honour. The Guarantees Trust Co. was the bank to which Joseph Shawill and Co. transferred their bills in London.

Re-examined by Mr. Sharp.—Mr. Bingham was the attorney of Plant as liquidator of Edwards, Pirie & Co. when Plant went away. Plant left the Colony on the 21st of March, but he was in Hongkong again—passing through on the 9th of April. It was at Plant's request that the documents and bills of lading were handed over to him as manager and liquidator of Edwards, Pirie & Co. He had powers under the articles of association of that company and the only occasion on which witness ever dealt with him in any other capacity than manager and liquidator of Edwards, Pirie & Co. was the occasion that Plant came to him as from Mr. Lemire, where he wanted the bill of exchange for \$10,000 renewed.

By His Lordship—A manager of the bank at all times of credit and all bills of exchange and promissory notes that were to be dealt with were decided by him (witness) as manager of the bank alone; the details being left to the accountant in the outside office. As to whether a bill of exchange was to be held, that was entirely his own responsibility.

The examination was then closed.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The M.M. str. *Armand Behic*, with the next French mail, left Singapore on the 13th inst., at 6 p.m. for this port via Saigon.

The E.A. str. *Average* left Singapore on Monday afternoon, and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 18th inst.

The British str. *Nensha* left Saigon on the 14th inst. for this port, and is due to arrive here on or about the 18th inst.

The str. *Gregory Apcar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 12th inst., a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 16th inst.

The str. *Original Jurisdiction*, from the

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of this Association was held at the City Hall last evening. H. E. the Governor was seated on the right hand of Sir H. S. Berkeley, who presided, other members present being—Hon. Mr. Gershon Stewart, Hon. Mr. L. A. M. Johnston, and Messrs. J. C. Gow, A. Mackenzie, W. G. Winterburn and J. Whittall (committee), Mr. W. H. Treadwell Davis (then sec. and treasurer), Sir Francis Pigott, Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, Hon. Captain L. A. W. Barnes-Lawrence and Messrs. O. J. Allen, C. E. H. Davis, A. Blower, W. D. Bradstock, C. W. T. Brett, W. L. Carter, T. P. Cochrane, A. Dawson, W. H. Donald, G. L. Duncan, W. T. Edwards, A. Forbes, H. W. Fraser, W. Goodfellow, A. S. Gibney, G. K. Harton, E. A. Haworth, T. F. Hough, J. O. Hughes, W. G. Humphreys, J. Hutchings, A. Jenkins, S. A. Joseph, J. S. Lovington, A. R. Lowe, D. J. Mackenzie, T. H. Martin, J. McCubbin, J. R. Michael, S. H. Michael, P. L. Miller, A. G. Newton, C. Pemberton, J. Pidgeon, L. Plummer, W. Ramsay, A. Seth, M. Shad, A. Brooks Smith, E. W. Terrey, D. Tollan, A. Turner, G. H. Wakeman, A. W. Watt, A. C. Franklin, J. H. Underwood, Dr. W. W. Pearce, Dr. E. Jones, Major Pritchard and Captain J. Douglas.

The CHAIRMAN—Your Excellency and gentlemen of the Hongkong Volunteer Reserve Association.—It gives us the committee great pleasure to see to-day at this our first annual meeting—the first of a great many yet to come—such a large and representative attendance, and I am sure, gentlemen, we hold your sentiments when to you it gives us all great pleasure to see His Excellency the Governor present (applause). Gentlemen, this is but another reminder that the long range of Kowloon, by reason of the military authorities, is also at the disposal of the Association (applause).

H. E. the Governor has presented a handsome cup to the Association to be shot for, which everybody is competing to win. There is also a cup presented by Mr. G. Murray Bain, proprietor of the *China Mail*, the day I might call him of the Hongkong Press (applause), and an esteemed resident of this Colony. He has given not one, but six cups, to be held for the first six months with the Governor's being shot for. I am sure the thanks of the Association are due to Mr. Murray Bain for his generosity. Then a cup has been given by Mr. Bingham and others by the Association. I desire to remind gentlemen of the Association that a very interesting event is about to occur next week. I refer to the rifle meeting that a week ago has brought us here together, namely, the reception of the report and the passing of the accounts.

Such a large and representative attendance, and I am sure, gentlemen, we hold your sentiments when to you that we shall be able to announce to the world that we have won the championship of Hongkong (applause). Cup shooting is all very well, and an excellent thing by way of encouragement, but this Association is not a sporting association; it is a serious one, an association formed for the purpose of taking part in the defence of the country, not the firing of bullets at targets for the purpose of winning cups. It is to train the manhood of this Colony to shoot with a rifle in order that should the time unhappy ever come—the Association would be able to take its place in conjunction with the allied forces of the Crown. It is impossible to exaggerate the use of the rifle in defence of the empire. Conscription would be absolutely unnecessary if every boy and man knew how to use a rifle, and could and would on occasion do so. What is wanted in this Empire of ours is for us to attain that superiority with the rifle which our forefathers attained with the bow. It was the archers of England and elsewhere brought our arms victory, and it is the rifles that will do so to-day. We give up too much of our time as boys and men at football. I speak not now in words of boast that there are books which might be examined which show that in my day I have helped to victories in football. But it can be carried too far, and much of the time occupied by schools and men could be better employed in perfecting themselves in shooting with the rifle. I believe it is true that the Duke of Wellington said that Waterloo was won on the playing-fields of Eton, and so will Waterloo of the future be won on the riding grounds of the public schools at Eton. I shall conclude my remarks to you by offering congratulations on the position of the Association to-day. I think I may say without meditation that our position is assured financially and as far as I can see, and I don't think we need apprehend any loss, but look forward to an increase. I may also congratulate the community on the large and valuable addition to the defence forces of this Colony. Before resuming my seat, I desire to express my personal regret and the regret of the Association that it is to lose the services of Mr. Treadwell Davis. It is no figure of speech I make use of when I say that Mr. Davis from his formation was the heart and soul of the Hongkong Volunteer Reserve Association (prolonged cheering). I formally move the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. H. E. SHAWILL—I beg to move that the following gentleman be appointed a committee:—Hon. Mr. Gershon Stewart, Hon. Mr. L. A. M. Johnston, and Messrs. W. T. Davis, J. C. Gow, F. Mainland, A. Mackenzie, W. G. Winterburn and J. Whittall. We regret that Mr. Davis cannot offer his services as secretary, but are pleased to find that he is willing to serve on the committee. The success of the Association during the first year speaks far more eloquently than I can in his favour.

Mr. SLADE seconded, and the motion was carried.

SIR FRANCIS PIGOTT—I think the next step is the proposal of a chairman, and I think that the Association will agree with me that Sir Henry Berkeley has shown himself so very apt in teaching the old idea how to shoot that we could not do better than have him as chairman for the ensuing year (applause). I move accordingly.

HON. MR. STEWART—Speaking for the committee, I have great pleasure in seconding the proposal of a chairman, and I think that Sir Henry Berkeley will agree with me that Sir Henry Berkeley has shown himself so very apt in teaching the old idea how to shoot that we could not do better than have him as chairman for the ensuing year (applause).

THE CHAIRMAN—I move that Mr. G. H. Walker be elected Secretary and Treasurer. He is a methodical man, a Government officer and absolutely reliable, careful and painstaking.

MR. WHITALL seconded, and the motion was carried.

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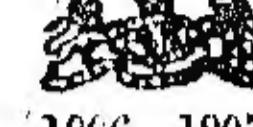
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W. CHATHAM, Water Authority.

Public Works Department, Hongkong, 14th March, 1906. [633]

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On view at A. FONG'S New Studio, Above Watkin's Dispensary.

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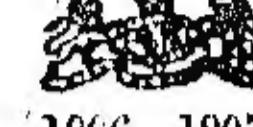
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DATED at Hongkong this 13th day of March, 1906.

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PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THIS TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, St. George's Building, No. 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, THIS DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 14th March, 1906, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1905, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

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Hongkong, 14th March, 1906. [511]

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THOMAS D. GIMMETTE, Deputy Inspector General.

R.N. Hospital, Hongkong, 10th March, 1906. [625]



1906-1907.

NOTICE.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that FIELD FIRING PRACTICES will be carried out in the vicinity of Chiu-lon-chen and Black Hill, on the following dates:—

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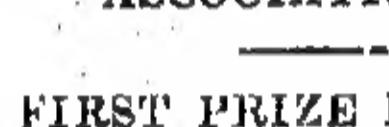
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T. SERCOMBE SMITH, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, 9th March, 1906. [616]



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CHINA UNITED SERVICE RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

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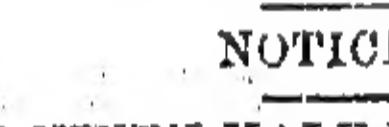
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Hongkong, 9th March, 1906. [517]



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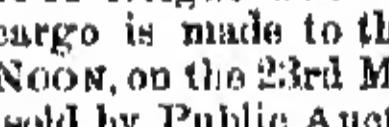
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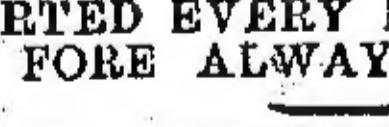
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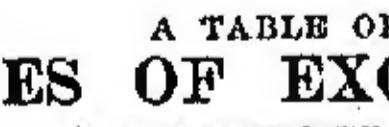


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THE NANCHANG MASSACRE.

THE OFFICIAL ROMAN CATHOLIC ACCOUNT.

The N.C. Daily News of Saturday, the 14th inst., says:—In Wednesday's *Echo de Chine* appeared a long account of the events leading up to the recent murders at Nanchang, and we now learn that this is the official report made by the Roman Catholic Bishop to the French authorities. It is too long to be reproduced *in extenso*, but we subjoin a *précis*.

At the outset it is explained that the late sub-prefect Chiang was seriously compromised on the occasion of the troubles at Sinchang, the arrangement made in regard to which he had failed to carry out, by releasing the chiefs of the guilty parties, and by promising, on his honour, immunity to two of those accused, who had come to Nanchang. This had been made the subject of complaint by the Mission to the French Consulate at Shanghai and also to the Legation at Peking. The sub-prefect had since endeavoured to extricate himself, without losing countenance with his superiors.

On the 17th of February he asked Mr. Lacanche to invite him to dinner at the Mission on the 22nd of that month to discuss this affair. It would be more easy, he said, to talk quietly at the Mission, and he would only bring two secretaries with him. On the 18th of February the sub-prefect presents and his card to the Mission, and announced that he would visit himself the next day. Mr. Lacanche thought he had been mistaken possibly as to the day the sub-prefect wished to dine, and prepared to receive him next day, but when Chiang arrived he refused to stop, and said it was the 22nd that he had arranged to dine at the Mission. He explained that his present call was to ask, as a favour, that the invitation to be sent to him should be expressed in threatening language, and that mention should be made of the possibility of a gunboat being sent to Nanchang if the Sinchang affair were not settled at once. The reason for the request was that the letter might be shown to Chiang's superiors who were to be led to think that he had been forced to give way under menace. Mr. Lacanche caused a letter of invitation to be dispatched to the magistrate as requested, but refused to address it otherwise than in terms of politeness.

On the 22nd the sub-prefect arrived at the Mission at 3 p.m. All through the dinner he avoided reference to the Sinchang affair, but continually complained that he was not properly appreciated by his superiors. It was not until he had risen from the table that the magistrate mentioned the affair he had proposed to discuss, and he then propounded a series of conditions. Mr. Lacanche, who began to doubt if the magistrate had any authority to treat at all, asked him to put his demands in writing, in order that they might be referred to the higher ecclesiastical authorities. He offered a pencil for the purpose, but the magistrate preferred to go into the room of the priest's secretary, where he was left alone to write. A quarter of an hour passed. During that interval Chiang came to the door of the secretary's room and called a soldier, to whom he gave an order in a low voice, and who then hastily quitted the Mission. The magistrate returned to the room and told a servant who was sent to him with tea that he did not wish to be disturbed. He closed the door. Some moments later a servant, crossing the hall, heard groans coming from the secretary's room. He looked in and saw the magistrate stretched on a long chair bleeding from the neck and trying to enlarge the wound. The servant informed the missionary, who having discovered the magistrate's attempt at suicide, hurried off at once to the Governor to report what had occurred. At the Mission meanwhile every attention was paid to the wounded magistrate, who was not able to speak but made signs for a pencil with which, lying in the long chair, he wrote during that night and the following morning a number of short letters. One was addressed to Mr. Lacanche, another to the interpreter. The purport of each was that the magistrate was dying to save the people of Si Chang and not to break his word to those whom he had promised to save. In a letter to his brother he said: "An evil spirit is pursuing me; and I am dying in order to save the people."

Rumour immediately spread in the town that the priest had assassinated the magistrate. Delegates from the high officials were sent to the Mission to make enquiries and the next day the Provincial Judge himself held an enquiry. Mr. Lacanche conducted them round the premises and described all that had occurred. In the evening Mr. Lacanche received a letter from the Bureau of Foreign Affairs asking for the instrument by which the magistrate had come to his death. The missionary replied that he did not know what instrument had been used. With this note was sent a long statement, and it could not be dispensed till the day following the demand. That day handbills inciting the people to riot were freely distributed in the city. They were given away by persons of distinction riding in chairs and preceded by men on horseback. The officials in the meantime

asked that the two servants who have been mentioned should be sent to the yamen for questioning, and suggested that Mr. Lacanche should accompany them. This he refused to do, on the ground that it would appear to lend colour to the story of assassination, and excite the people to riot. The Governor also sent a message to the Catholic Bishop through the Tso-tai of Kiu-kiang, practically accusing the missionaries of murder, and asking the Bishop himself to come to Nanchang. The Bishop replied that what touched the missionaries touched him, that he was therefore an interested or accused party, and could not adjudicate on it, and that the settlement must be by the Wu-wu-pao and the French Minister at Peking.

During the two days before the massacre placards inciting to riot were posted even on the Mission premises, which had been occupied by soldiers more for the purpose of surveillance over the missionaries than for their protection. A military officer was heard to say to his men: "Look well to it that no Europeans escape!" In regard to all these matters, the report concludes, there is the direct evidence of Mr. Martin, who was by Mr. Lacanche's side right up to the moment of the riot, and of Mr. Rossigard, who had from Mr. Lacanche's own mouth the statement now published. The actual facts of the murder of the missionaries and the burning of the premises are summarised very briefly, and present no variations from the accounts already published.

POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, March 13th.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

ASSAULT.

An old woman known as the "Queen of Aberdeen" charged her son and his wife with assaulting her.

The facts of the case, as related by Inspector Hardy, showed that complainant was well-to-do, having a store and considerable property at Aberdeen. Her son had been kept in the dark as to his mother's affairs, and believing her to be poor had allowed her \$5 a month, while he had to support a wife and growing family on a moderate salary. The mother, who was dissatisfied with her allowance, wished it increased to \$10 per month, but the son, by chance having found out the state of his parent's affairs stopped his monthly contribution.

She roundly abused him, and eventually went to the police station and took out a summons for assault. Inspector Hardy added that the woman was always causing trouble in the family.

Complainant told the magistrate that her son and his wife scolded her day and night. His Worship: Next time she bothers you go and see the Inspector, and she will be arrested. The summons is dismissed.

GAMBLERS.

As the result of a gambling raid, Detective Sergeant Watt placed twelve Chinese before His Worship on the charge of playing *fan-tan* on the ground floor of No. 17, Stanley Street.

After hearing evidence, His Worship convicted them, and ordered the first two defendants, the keepers, to pay a fine of \$25, and mulcted the remainder in the sum of \$5 each.

LIQUORIS DUTY.

Twelve licensed from the S.S. *Oro* were charged with having duty on that vessel in the harbour Monday.

They were each sentenced to seven days' hard labour.

UNLICENSED DEALERS.

Sanitary Inspector Bratt charged two Chinese storekeepers of Nos. 4 and 6, Graham Street with selling vegetables without a licence from the Sanitary Board.

They were convicted and ordered to pay a fine of \$50 each, the alternative being two months' hard labour.

STORY OF A LOST DIAMOND.

At the instance of Detective Sergeant Marion, Chau Kam was proceeded against for the larceny of a diamond valued at \$1,000.

The evidence showed that while the complainant was at Mr. Lammett's auction room on Saturday, the stone fell out of his ring. The defendant secured it and took it to a pawnshop where he wished to obtain \$10 on it. The pawnbroker was suspicious, so detained the defendant until the police, who were sent for, arrived, and Chau was taken into custody.

Defendant said he found the diamond, and took it to the pawnbroker to test its value.

His Worship did not believe the story, and sentenced the defendant to two months' imprisonment with hard labour.

SMUGGLING ARMS INTO CHINA.

A special cablegram from San Francisco to the Manila *Cadiz* dated 9 says:—"Through the accidental breaking open of a case, it has been discovered that arms are being smuggled on board mail steamers for shipment to China in the guise of ordinary merchandise."

Article V. of the protocol made between China and eleven Powers, including the United States, in 1901, states:

"China agrees to prohibit the importation into its territory of arms and ammunition, as well as of articles exclusively used for the manufacture of arms and ammunition. An Imperial Edict has been issued on the 25th of August, 1901, forbidding said importation for a term of two years. New edicts may be issued subsequently extending this by other successive terms of two years in case of necessity recognized by the Powers."

John Cree, a foreman in the Quarry Bay Dockyard, proceeded against Constable Taylor on a charge of assault.

Mr. P. W. Goldring (of Messrs. Bruton, Hott and Goldring) prosecuted, and Mr. C. E. H. Beavis (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Crist) represented the defendant, who pleaded not guilty.

John Cree, sworn, said he was playing billiards in Thomas' Hotel on the night of the 1st March. After the game he went to Ship Street, and after staying there for a time, went to the foot of the street to get a *riesha*. There was a rush of *rieshas*, and the defendant, who was there, said something to witness about not paying his *riesha* coin. Witness said he always paid when he engaged one, and that defendant struck him on the mouth knocking four of his teeth out, and followed up with several blows on the face. Witness did not strike back, but taking a *riesha* went to No. 2 Police Station to report the matter. The Inspector was not in, so he waited. Later, the defendant returned from a duty and told him to go home. He waited a little longer outside, and then went home. He was not drunk at the time.

He was quite sober on the night of the assault, and could walk and talk properly. He had one "small gin" in Thomas' Hotel between 11 and 11.29 p.m. with a person whose name he did not know. Between 8.30 and 11 o'clock he had three drinks. Prior to the present occasion he had not had trouble with the police.

Mr. Beavis:—Can you give the magistrate any reason why the defendant struck you? It is absurd to suppose that he should have knocked four teeth out of your head for nothing.—No.

Can you suggest any reason why the constable should have asked you to pay for a *riesha*?—I expect I had one there. I paid one and told him to wait.

Do you know P.C. Grant?—By sight. Did you see him that night?—At the station. Did you have any conversation?—Yes, I said to him: "A man's a man for a that."

Did you say that or did you sing it?—I said it.

What did you mean by saying "A man's a man for a that?"—Because I thought I'd have justice.

What else did you say?—Nothing; the defendant told me to "clear out."

His Worship:—You say you took a *riesha* to Ship Street, and after paying the man you told him to wait. Why was that necessary, seeing the number of *rieshas* there?—Because the man I had was a good runner.

Constable Grant, who was on duty at Ship Street on the night in question, said his attention was directed to the scene of the trouble by the shouting of some girls who pointed down to Queen's Road. He saw defendant strike the complainant who was much knocked about blood was flowing from his mouth and his eyes were bruised. When witness arrived on the scene complainant rose to his feet and said he was going to the Police Station to report the affair. Taylor told him the complainant was badly cut about the face.

Cross-examined.—Seeing Taylor was senior to him, he did not think it was his duty to report the assault. He had conversed with a man named Hyne about the matter, but did not say to him:—Taylor never assaulted Cree. Cree was drunk and I had myself to turn him out of a house and help Taylor put him in a *riesha*.—Hyne about the matter, and witness told him that the complainant was a very old man, and he thought Taylor had knocked him about too much. He also said he had seen Cree noisy and drunk in Ship Street at times, but had never had trouble with him. Defendant told witness he had assaulted Cree and remarked further that the man was drunk, and would not remember anything about it on the following day. Further, he asked him to deny the assault if trouble arose, saying the street was quiet and no one had witnessed the affair. Cree was the worse for drink.

Re-examined.—He had not seen the complainant speak to since the affair.

This was the case for the prosecution. The defense will be heard on Thursday.

BEFORE MR. C. D. MELBOURNE (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

DISORDINARY COOLIES.

Inspector Durmond charged four chair coolies employed by Mr. N. Post, Consul for Austria-Hungary, with creating disturbance in the coolie quarters of the Consul's house. The coolies were indulging in free fight when arrested.

They were each ordered to pay a fine of \$2; in default five days' imprisonment.

A SHANGHAI QUESTION.

The appointment of a Native Consultative Committee for the purpose of co-operating with the Municipal Council at Shanghai is evoking strong protests from members of the foreign community. Dr. Gilbert Reid has expressed his view of the matter in the following terms:—"This Committee means business. High thinking will be practised; the wits of the Municipal Councillors will be tested. The one body is as official as the other. Advice concerning the wishes and needs and well-being of the Chinese community has always been ready to hand, but now it will be authoritative. The two bodies, if I am anything of a prophet, sooner or later must collide, and back of the six, are 400,000. These six, I earnestly believe, are peace-loving men, but such a collision under such a backdrop will mean more excitement than has yet been witnessed. The scheme is to be swallowed with a grain of salt."

SHANGHAI DIVIDENDS.

Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Poole were yesterday informed by wire that the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited, has declared a final dividend of Tls. 8, making Tls. 14 per share for 1905, and that the Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited, has declared a final dividend of 37.6, making 52.6 per share for 1905.

The N.C. Daily News understands that it is the intention of the Directors of the Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd., to recommend at the next annual meeting to be held on the 29th inst., a final dividend of thirty-seven shillings and sixpence (37s. 6d.) per share at the exchange of 2s. 9d. for the past year.

The report of the W. H. Weiwei Land and Building Co., Ltd., for 1905 shows a credit balance in profit and loss account of Tls. 1,224, of which no disposition is suggested. The profit on working account was Tls. 3,498, the difference having been written off furniture and building accounts.

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ARRIVALS.

ACHILLES, British str., 1,483, R. C. Thompson, 13th March.—Amoy 12th March, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
ANDINI, Japanese str., 1,652, H. Kobayashi, 13th March.—Shanghai, Foochow, Amoy and Swatow 12th March, General.—Osaka Shioen Kaidai.
DIEGWELL, British str., 1,453, J. Jenkins, 13th March.—Saigon 8th March, Rice and General—China.
HAWTHORN, British str., 1,276, A. E. Hodgson, 13th March.—Penang 9th March, Amoy 10th and Swatow 12th March, General.—Lapak & Co.
HUK, French str., 705, Godman, 12th March.—Haiphong and Kwangchauwan 11th March, General.—R. Martel.
KUMASAKI, British str., 2,077, E. J. Buller, 12th March.—Calcutta 23rd Feb., Penang 1st March, and Singapore 6th March, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
NUNA, British str., 3,844, F. J. Fox, 13th March.—Yokohama 26th February, General.—P. O. S. N. Co.
PRINCESS ALICE, Ger. str., 6,720, Ch. Polack, 13th Mar.—Yokohama 3rd Mar., General.—Meletzov & Co.
PRONTO, Norwegian str., 860, Hoien, 13th March.—Saigon 1st March, General.—Augstrand, Thorson & Co.
SEALDA, British str., 3,834, J. Kirkpatrick, 13th March.—Singapore 4th March, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
TELMACHUS, British str., 1,340, J. Williamson, 13th March.—Saigon 7th March, Rice and General—China.
VICTORIA, Chinese str., 1,276, J. F. Messer, 12th March.—Kutai 5th Mar., Coal—China.
YUNNAN, British str., 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, 13th Mar.—Manila 10th Mar., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE
March 13th.
Hailon, French str., for Palkhi.
Princess Alice, German str., for Singapore.
DEPARTURES.

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BERGSTRÖM, British str., for Yokohama.
BOENKE, German str., for Sandakan.
DAGNY, Norwegian str., for Haiphong.
DOKA, German str., for Canton.
LIGHTNING, British str., for Calcutta.
LISA, Swedish str., for Chefoo.
PARTHIA, Austrian cruiser, for Swatow.
PRINZ WALDEMAR, German str., for Kobe.
PROGRESS, German str., for Newchwang.
TEAN, British str., for Manila.
TRIUMPH, German str., for Haiphong.
TUNBRIDGE, British str., for Swatow.
WINGANG, British str., for Canton.
WONGKOK, German str., for Bangkok.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Hutching* reports: Fine weather throughout.
The British str. *Abdullah* reports: Light N.E. wind and overcast.

The British str. *Dewar* reports: From Capo St. James to Cape Paduan southerly wind and sea. From Cape Paduan to Cape Varella moderate N.N.E. wind and sea. From these to port moderate to strong monsoon and hazy weather.

The Chinese str. *Vactoria* reports: Fine N.W. gale off Goto Islands, lasting for 60 hours. Then to Turnabout moderate S.E. to S.W. winds and fine weather. Dense fog between Okinawa and Chapel Island. Hence to port fresh N.E. winds and overcast rainy weather.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent, Hongkong, 7th March, 1906. 19

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LONDON & ANTWERP,	BENVOIRLICH	Brit. str.	—	Thompson	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	About 15th inst.
LONDON, &c., VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	DELTA	Brit. str.	—	C. L. Daniel	On 24th inst., at Noon.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	DIOMEA	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	TEENAI	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 26th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	BELEPHRON	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th May.
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AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SILESEA	Brit. str.	—		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SCANDIA	Brit. str.	—		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 31st inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SENEGHAMIA	Brit. str.	—		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 13th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SEGOVIA	Brit. str.	—	Peter	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	TRISTEZA	Brit. str.	—	Schönfeld	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 6th May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	PELEUS	Brit. str.	—	Meyerdiercks	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 29th inst., at 1 P.M.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	KINTUCK	Brit. str.	—	Craglietto	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	HECTOR	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	16th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	VERONA	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	17th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHIMOSA	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	VANDALIA	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	EMPERESS OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ATHENIAN	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	KEEPMEAN	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	LYRA	Am. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	MINNESOTA	Am. str.	—	G. V. Williams	POORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	To-day, at Noon.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ARAGONIA	Am. str.	—	J. H. Rinder	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	DAROTAH	Am. str.	—		SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	Around.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	GLENFARL	Am. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	CHANGSHA	Am. str.	—		GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 2nd April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	AUSTRIAN	Am. str.	—		MELCHERS & CO.	On 26th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	PEUNG WALDENAR	Am. str.	—		P. & O. S. N. CO.	On 20th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	POONA	Am. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	CHINGTU	Am. str.	—		CARLOWITZ & CO.	About 21st inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	TUJUAN	Am. str.	—		DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 5th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	KWINTANG	Am. str.	—		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	About middle of May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	P. R. LUITPOLD	Am. str.	—		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	CHOTSANG	Am. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.	—		McArthur	On 21st inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHOSHUN MARU	Jap. str.	—		Woltemans	On 21st inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		C. R. Longden, R.N.P.	On 21st inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		POORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		SHEWAN, TOME & CO.	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		MELCHERS & CO.	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		P. & O. S. N. CO.	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	—		POORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	On 25th April.

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CHINA MUTUAL STEAM
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FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
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NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

EUROPEAN SERVICE.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KEEMUN"	On 19th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"	On 20th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANCHISES"	On 21st March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK"	On 28th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"BELLEROPHON"	On 4th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"CALCHAS"	On 11th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MOYUNE"	On 14th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TEUCER"	On 14th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DARDANUS"	On 21st April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HECTOR"	On 21st April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 28th April.

HOMEWARDS.

TO	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	On 20th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TELEMACHUS"	On 27th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DIOMED"	On 10th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK"	On 20th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TEENKAI"	On 24th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"BELLEROPHON"	On 8th May.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"HECTOR"	On 20th May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"CALCHAS"	On 22nd May.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

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EASTWARD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO MAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, & PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"KEEMUN"	On 21st March.
"TEUCER"	On 18th April.	
"TYDEUS"	On 16th May.	

WESTWARD.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA and PACIFIC COAST	"TELEMACHUS"	On 25th March.
For Freight, apply to—	"NINGCHOW"	On 25th April.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS

Hongkong, 5th March, 1906.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO MAIL
TAKU and NEWCHWANG	"KWEIYANG"	On 15th March.
SHANGHAI	"ICHANG"	On 16th March.
MANILA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"SHANSI"	On 18th March.
CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 31st March.
KOBE	"CHINGTU"	On 2nd April.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.

REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

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Hongkong, 8th March, 1906.

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Taking cargo at through rates to ANTWEEP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COENPHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE BLACK SEA AND BALTIQUE PORTS, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

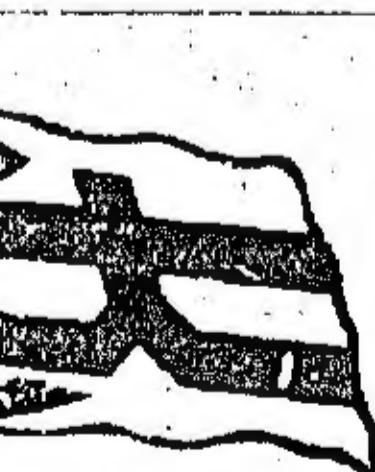
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES
TEUTONIA	(HAMBURG) (Calling at Singapore)	On 16th Mar. Freight.
LIBERIA	(HAMBURG) (Calling at Singapore)	On 17th Mar. Freight.
SAXONIA	(HAMBURG) (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 21st Mar. Freight.
SILESIA	(HAMBURG) (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 31st Mar. Freight & Passengers.
SCANDIA	(HAMBURG) (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 13th April. Freight & Passengers.
SENEGAMBIA	(HAMBURG) (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 21st April. Freight.
SEGOVIA	(HAMBURG) (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 5th May Freight.
C. FERD. LAESZ	(HAMBURG) (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 16th May Freight.
VANDALIA	(NEW YORK) (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	Abt middle of May Freight.

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HONGKONG OFFICE, KING'S BUILDING.



REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	THE CO.'S S.S.	LEAVING	SUNDAY, 18th Mar.
TAMSUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIGI MARU"	at 10 A.M.	
TAMSUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 25th Mar.	
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"ANPING MARU"	at 10 A.M.	THURSDAY, 15th Mar.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"SHOSHU MARU"	A.M.	SUNDAY, 18th Mar.
ANPING VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"MAIDZURU MARU"	A.M.	WEDNESDAY, 21st Mar.

* These Steamers have excellent accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with electric light. Unrivalled Table.

Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

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Hongkong, 13th March, 1906.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON S. S. CO., BOSTON TOWBOAT CO.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA

VIA MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer. Tons. Captain. Sailing Date.

LYRA 4,417 G. V. Williams On 6th April.

SHAWMUT 9,606 E. V. Roberts On 28th April.

Cargo only:

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE. ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESSES.

The twin-screw s.s. "SHAWMUT" and "TREMONT" are fitted with very Superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels ensure steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried in cold storage.

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GENERAL AGENTS.

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Hongkong, 22nd February, 1906.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN

JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER FROM EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT WILL LEAVE FOR ON OR ABOUT

TJIPANAS.. JAVA First half of JAPAN via SHANGHAI Second half of March.

TJILATJAP.. JAPAN Second half of JAPAN PORTS Second half of March.

TJILIWONG.. JAVA First half of JAPAN via SHANGHAI First half of April.

TJIMAHY .. JAPAN First half of JAPAN PORTS First half of April.

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on Bills of Lading.

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YORK BUILDINGS, 1st Floor.
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1906.

WALTHAM WATCHES

12,000,000 of these watches now in use.

All Waltham watches are guaranteed by American Waltham Watch Co., the largest watch manufacturing concern in the world.

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The Steamship

Captain C. L. Daniel, carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this for

Bombay on SATURDAY, the 24th March, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the

above ports in

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The following may now be obtained at the General Post Office counter:
 Postal Guide for 1906 30 cents.
 Parcels Post Tariffs 20.
 The Empress of China, with the Canadian mail, left Shanghai on Sunday, the 11th inst., at 9 p.m., and may be expected here to-day.
 The Prinz Regent Luitpold, with the German mail of the 13th ultimo, left Singapore on Friday, the 9th instant, at 6 p.m., and may be expected here to-day.
 The Armand Bellic, with the French mail of the 16th February, left Singapore on Tuesday, the 13th inst., at 6 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 20th inst. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 13th January.

A Mail for MACAO, is despatched per s.s. Wingchau on week-days at 5.00 p.m. On Sunday the mail for MACAO is closed at 8.00 a.m.
 Mails for CANTON, SAMHWI and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m. and at 5.00 p.m.
 Mails for *CANTON, NANTAO, SANBUE, *KONOMOON, *KUMCHUK, *SAMHWI, and WUCHOW are closed every weekday, at 5 p.m. On Sundays the mails are closed at 9 a.m.
 No mails are despatched to these places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FROM	TO	DATE
Kowloon, Yokohama and Portlaid	Hutching	Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Europe, etc., India via Tunicorin		Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)	Princess Alice	
Macao	Heungshan	Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Choyang	Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore	Achille	Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang, and Colombo	Nubia	Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and Shanghai	Anping Moro	Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Amoy and Kola	Scatda	Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Hollow and Pakhoi	Jacob Diderichsen	Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Hollow, Singapore and Bangkok	Kehschung	Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Amoy, Manila and Iloilo	Yeuengsung	Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bumay	Iekia	Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Scatda	Minnesota	Wednesday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Macao	Heungshan	Thursday, 15th, 1.15 P.M.
Singapore, Sourabaya and Samarang	Anura	Thursday, 15th, 3.00 P.M.
Taka and Nanchwang	Kwaiyuan	Thursday, 15th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Tjipanas	Thursday, 15th, 4.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Ickong	Thursday, 15th, 4.00 P.M.
Macao, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaid and Perth	Heungshan	Thursday, 15th, 11.15 A.M.
Macao	Nikko Maru	Friday, 16th, 3.00 P.M.

TO-DAY.

Ordinary General Meeting of the China and Manila Steamship Co. Ltd., 11 a.m.
 Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co. Ltd., 11.30 a.m.
 Spaniard's European Circus, Causeway Bay, 9 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Sale, Household Property, Sales Rooms, Mr. Geo. P. Lammett, 3 p.m.
 Ordinary Meeting of the Philippine Co., Ltd., 3.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS. March 13th.
 ON LONDON.— Telegraphic Transfer 20^{1/2}
 Bank Bills, on demand 20^{1/2}
 Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 20^{1/2}
 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 20^{1/2}
 Credits, at 4 months' sight 20^{1/2}
 Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 20^{1/2}

ON PARIS.— Bank Bills, on demand 25^{1/2}
 Credits, at 4 months' sight 25^{1/2}
 ON GERMANY.— On demand 20^{1/2}

ON NEW YORK.— Bank Bills, on demand 49^{1/2}
 Credits, 60 days' sight 50

ON BOMBAY.— Telegraphic Transfer 150^{1/2}
 Bank, on demand 151

ON CALCUTTA.— Telegraphic Transfer 150^{1/2}
 Bank, on demand 151

ON SHANGHAI.— Bank, at sight 71^{1/2}
 Private, 30 days' sight 72^{1/2}

ON YOKOHAMA.— On demand 88^{1/2}

ON MANILA.— On demand—Peso 93^{1/2}

ON SINGAPORE.— On demand 16^{1/2} p.c.p.m.

ON BATAVIA.— On demand 12^{1/2}

ON HAIPHONG.— On demand 34^{1/2} p.c.p.m.

ON SAIGON.— On demand 3^{1/2} p.c.p.m.

ON FANGKOK.— On demand 52

SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate 9.30

100 LEAF, 100 fine, per tael 61.20

BAR SILVER, per oz. 29^{1/2}

OPium.

March 13th.

Quotations are— Allow'd net to 1 cent.
 Malwa New \$100 to — per pound.
 Malwa Old \$105 to — " "
 Malwa Older \$110 to — "
 Malwa V. Old \$117 to — "
 Persian Fine quality \$105 to — "
 Persian Extra Fine \$110 to — "
 Patna New \$110 to — per chest.
 Patna Old \$890 to — "
 Benares New \$850 to — "
 Benares Old — to — "

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIL. The I.G.M. str. Prinz Regent Luitpold left Singapore on the 9th March, at 6 p.m., and may be expected here to-day.

THE CANADIAN MAIL. The C.P.R. str. Empress of China arrived at Shanghai at 1 a.m. on Sunday, the 11th March, and left again at 9 p.m. same day for Hongkong, and is due here at 3 a.m. to-day.

THE AMERICAN MAIL. The P.M. str. China left Yokohama on the 5th inst., and may be expected to arrive here on the 17th inst.

The T.K.K. str. Nypon Maru will sail from Yokohama on the 13th March for this port.

THE FRENCH MAIL. The M.M. str. Armand Bellic left Singapore on the 18th inst., at 5 p.m., for this port via Saigon.

MERCHANT STEAMERS. The Australian Line str. Nikko Maru left Nagasaki for this port on the 10th inst., and is expected to arrive here to-day.

The str. Merionethshire left Singapore on the 8th inst., and is due here to-morrow.

The East Asiatic str. Morye, from Singapore, is due here on or about the 16th March.

The French str. Tche Yen left Sourabaya on the 7th inst. for this port and is due to arrive here on or about the 17th inst.

The Indo-China str. Laisang left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on the 6th March, and may be expected here on or about the 22nd March.

The J.-G.J. Lijin str. Tjatidjap left Kechi noza via Amoy and Swatow for this port on the 9th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 22nd inst.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, March 13th.

COMPANY.	PAID UP	QUOTATIONS.
Alhambra	\$200	\$100.
Banks—		
Hongkong & Shau	\$120	\$85, sal. 50 Lond. 50, 40.
National B. of China		
A. Shares		\$40.
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	12s. 6d.	87, buyers
China-Borneo Co.	\$12	80, sellers
China Light & P. Co.	\$10	80.
China P. & T. Co.	\$10	80, sellers
Cotton Mills—		
Ewo.	Ths. 60	Ths. 62, buyers
Hongkong	\$10	21 ^{1/2} , buyers
International	Ths. 75	Ths. 90.
Lao Lung Chow	Ths. 100	Ths. 94.
Stochey	Ths. 600	Ths. 250, x. d.
Dairy Farm	\$8	Ths. 15.
Docks and Wharves—		
Farnham, B. & Co.	Ths. 100	Ths. 115, buyers
H. & W. Wharf & G.	\$50	\$104, x. d.
H. & W. Dock	\$50	\$164, sellers
New Amoy Dock	\$10	80, sellers
Shai & H. Wharf	Ths. 100	Ths. 225.
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	\$25	223, sellers
G. Island Compan.	\$10	384, sellers
Hongkong & C. Gas.	\$10	417, buyers
Hongkong Electrica	\$10	110.
Lo.	\$10	81, sellers
H. H. L. Tramways	\$100	21 ^{1/2} , buyers
Hongkong Hotel Co.	\$50	83, sellers
Hongkong Ice Co.	\$25	230, buyers
Hongkong K. Co.	\$60	102.
H'kong S. Waterboat	\$10	80, sellers
Insurances—		
Canton	\$50	845, buyers
China Fire	\$20	883, buyers
China Traders	\$25	97, sellers
Hongkong Fire	\$50	800, sellers
North China	\$5	92, sellers
Union	\$100	850, sellers
Yangtze	\$60	830.
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land Inv.	\$100	\$113.
Humphrey's Estate	\$10	811, sellers
Houliang Land & B.	\$30	137, sellers
West Point Building	\$50	853, sellers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	Fr. 250	460.
Raubs	19/10	34.
Philippines Co.	20	54, buyers
Refineries—		
China Sugar	\$100	210, sellers
Luzon Sugar	\$100	85, sellers
Steamship Companies—		
China and Manilla	\$25	201, sellers
Douglas Steamship	\$50	840, buyers
H. Canton & M.	\$15	224, buyers
Indo-China S.N.C.	\$10	85, sellers
Shell Transport Co.	\$1	24.
Do. Preference	\$10	210.
Star Ferry	\$10	82, 810, &c. & buy.
Do. New	\$5	228, sellers
Shanghai & H. Dyeing	\$50	860.
South China M. Post	\$25	220, sellers
Steam Laundry Co.	\$5	87, sellers
Do.	\$5	89, sellers
Stores & Dispensaries		
Campbell, M. & Co.	\$10	82.
Powell & Co., Wm.	\$10	811, buyers
Watkins	\$10	86, sellers
Watson & Co., A. S.	\$10	813, &c. & sel. & sel.
United Asbestos	\$4	89.
Do. Fou de	\$10	810.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

From March 9th to 10th, Ajaz, Glenarvet, Roon, Indiran.

VERNON & SMYTH, Brokers.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From March 14th to 20th, 1906.

To correct Zone Time add 23 min. and 18 sec.

LOW WATER.

Day of Month	Hongkong Mean Time	Height	Hongkong Mean Time	Height
Wed. 14	11.32	6 1	11.30	6 1
Thurs. 15	10.01	6 1	10.00	6 1
Fri. 16	8.12	6 2	8.10	6 2
Sat. 17	6.40	6 2	6.38	6 2
Sun. 18	5.09	6 2	5.07	6 2
Mon. 19	4.59	6 3	4.57	